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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
SHIGEMI WAKABAYASHI : EXAMINER: SHOSHO, C.
SERIAL NO: 10/743,076 :
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FOR: WATER-BASED INK :

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

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SIR:

Now comes Yasushi ITO who deposes and declares that:

1. I am a graduate of Hiroshima University and received my Master degree in the year 1992.
2. I have been employed by Kao Corporation for the past five years, as a researcher in the field of ink jet.
3. The following experiments were conducted by me or under my direct supervision and control.

The acid numbers of the vinyl polymers of preparation example 1, Comparative Preparation Example 1, Comparative Preparation Example 2 and Comparative Preparation Example 3 of the above-identified application were determined by conventional methods known to those of ordinary skill in the art and are reported as

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follows:

Table 1a

	Acid Value
Example 1C ₂₂	65.1
Comparative example 1 C ₁₂	38.9
Comparative example 2 C ₂	57.1
Comparative example 3 C ₁	213

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America
that the foregoing is believed to be true and correct.

Yasushi Ito
Yasushi ITO

6 / 21 / 2007
Date